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## CIVIC ORGANIZATION BECOMES A REALITY WHEN CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS PASS

Enthusiastic Meeting Was Held Last Night in the Colonial Building

CO-OPERATION IS URGED IN BUILDING UP CITY

Board of Directors Will Launch Big Membership Campaign Soon

The organization of the Albany-Decatur Chamber of Commerce was perfected last night at an enthusiastic and well attended meeting held in the Colonial building on Second Avenue with J. W. Clopton presiding and James H. Johnson acting as Secretary.

An executive session of the directors of the organization who were elected at the preliminary organization meeting of some days ago, was held in the front office of the building, immediately preceding the regular meeting where the final touches were put to the instruments of writing, that should later, with slight amendment become the constitution and by laws of the Chamber.

This session held a little over the time set for the opening of the general meeting, and Mr. Clopton on calling the house to order promised that such an occurrence would not be repeated in the future. He said he understood that in the future, meetings of the board of directors were to be held weekly or oftener and he was sure that here after they would have their business ready for presentation on time.

Johnson Reads Previous Minutes.

The Secretary, James H. Johnson, performed the second official act to the calling the house to order by the president, by reading the minutes of the previous meeting. The record as read by Mr. Johnson was approved without change. By general consent the report of C. W. Matthews and J. H. Johnson, committeemen appointed to draft and present a constitution and by laws, was then read.

When the constitution was read the chair asked, if the house would vote at once on the adoption of the constitution.

On the suggestion of Judge William E. Skeggs, the by-laws also proposed were read before a vote was taken.

When the reading of the by-laws was completed, Judge Skeggs spoke at some length. He said that in his judgment despite by-law 8, the laws of Alabama would hold one and all members of the proposed organization for all debts. By-law eight provided that each member should be liable for the debts of the organization only to the extent of his paid in membership. It was stated by a number that the constitution and by-laws as recommended by Messrs. Matthews and Johnson were the standard rules as adopted by other Chambers of Commerce. W. W. Russell suggested that as way was open for revision and amendment to the instrument all along in the future, and that it would do to adopt without amendment. Evidently to get the matter before the house in a parliamentary manner, T. M. Dix, moved, seconded by B. L. Malone, that the constitution and by-laws as read by Mr. Johnson be adopted without amendment. When discussion was called for by Mr. Clopton on the Dix-Malone motion, a number spoke, but Judge Skeggs led the discussion, declaring that it was his judgment as a law-

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## Shop First--In The Daily

Read the suggestions of local merchants appearing in The Daily every afternoon.

3 MORE SHOPPING DAYS 'TILL CHRISTMAS.

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ALL'S FAIR IN LOVE"  
A rollicking tale of a pair of New-Scandal—and 100 times as funny, Scandal—and 100 times as funny, with Richard Dix, Stewart Holmes, Marcia Manon.

Also "BREAKING THROUGH."

# GUARD GOES INTO CAMP ON MYSTERY MISSION

## Who Owned 1st Auto Tag Here?

1942 of Them Are In Use Here Now, But Who Had First

### CASH FOR DOPE

Malone Comp'ny and The Daily Offering Money to Kiddies

In the course of sixteen years, from 1906 to 1922, the automotive industry in Morgan County has grown from zero to a total of 1942 cars licensed by the state of Alabama.

But amidst the activities of Christmas shopping and Santa activities, The Daily begs leave to raise the question:

"Who had the first automobile permit in Morgan County?"

Before The Daily proceeds further with the examination, it admits it already has the answer. Readers have guessed at what their Christmas presents will be so often, no doubt they are in a guessing mood, so consult your oracle and take this question:

There's a chance to make a bit of change on the side too. The first three children who furnish The Daily with the correct information regarding the first permit and who write the best letter, 200 words or less, on "Why a Buick, Cadillac or Chevrolet would Make a Good Christmas Present" will be awarded a cash prize by The Daily in co-operation with the Malone Coal, Grain and Motor company, who will publish the winning letters in an advertisement Friday.

More orders by far are being received by this company, than with its present capacity it is able to fill.

## DETAILS ARRANGED FOR KNITTING MILL; SITE IS SELECTED

The pleasant announcement was made just as The Daily was going to press today by Charles Rountree, prominent business man of Albany, who for the past day or so has been busy completing detail arrangements as to the new \$40,000 knitting mills of the Wells-Cooper Company of St. Joseph, Mich., to be located here, that the selection of the site had been made and that all details are being rushed to completion such as completing the deeds, etc.

The Daily made the first public announcement of the intention of the Cooper-Wells Company to locate this second one of its knitting plants in Albany several days before J. Ogden Wells came to the Twin Cities the latter part of last week.

It will be recalled by readers of The Daily, that a few days ago, while here Mr. Wells authorized a statement that appeared in this paper in which he used the words "nothing but the selection of the site remains," and that Mr. Wells made his statement when asked if all the details had been agreed upon for the location of his mills here.

The action of the Albany city council in granting the St. Joseph Manufacturer, such concessions as he requested was taken just prior to the public statement of Mr. Wells, saying that only the matter of the site remained to be settled.

Dr. F. P. Petty, a prominent member of the Morgan county medical society presided, and acted as toast master.

The principal address of the evening was on "Fellowship," by Dr. J. L. Gunter. A number of addresses on "technical subjects" of interest to the physicians were made during the evening. About forty physicians and their friends attended the banquet. A rising vote of thanks was given Doctor Greer, Bragg and Haisfield, the committee which arranged the program.

## MEDICAL SOCIETY ENJOYS BANQUET

The Morgan County Medical Society held a well attended banquet at the Lyons hotel last night. In addition to diners from this county, there were a number present from Limestone and Lawrence counties.

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## Baker Appears In War Graft Probe

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Newton D. Baker, who was secretary of war in President Wilson's war time cabinet, appeared today before the special federal grand jury, which is in session here, investigating war frauds.

## MORE THAN 70 MILES OF ROADWAYS BUILT IN THIS DISTRICT BY FEDERAL AID MONEY

Division Engineer Reports On Status of Work In The Valley

### MANY TYPES OF ROAD COMPLETED HE REPORTS

Projects Are Underway for Additional Mileage To Be Built Soon

An account contained in The Daily some months ago shows that the capacity of this concern in the fall was 170,000 brick a month, which doubled means an output after Christmas of 340,000 bricks a month. It was explained that all needed to double out the capacity of the plant still another time was the addition of more burning kilns.

The doubled capacity after January 1st according to Mr. Neher, has been made possible by doubling the capacity of the dry houses and the number of the burning kilns. Since fall, when only brick and drain tiles were made, the manufacture of building tiles has been begun by this company.

The report follows:

Division No. 1 consists of 13 counties in North Alabama.

At the present there are 15 projects under contract and construction.

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The various types of road construction covered by these contracts is as follows:

3.27 miles Bitulithic pavement on concrete base.

18.121 miles Bituminous concrete (Modified Topcka Spec.) on macadam base.

17.54 miles Bituminous Macadam on 6 in. (slag) macadam base.

9.128 miles Bituminous Macadam on 6 in. (limestone) macadam base.

6.0 miles water-bound Macadam.

72.204 miles Gravel Surfacing.

Bridge contracted consist of—

302.5 lin. ft. of steel spans.

3705.0 lin. ft. of reinforced concrete spans and decks, etc.

210.0 lin. ft. of Cresoted Timber bridge which will require 1,474,172 lbs. of steel and 14,555.57 cu. yds. of concrete.

No bridge will have less than a clear roadway of 18 feet in width.

During the last 90 days, ending November 25th, the work actually constructed in this Division, according to Engineers estimates, amount to \$418,923.45.

The time limit for the completion of present contracts under construction expires during the year of 1923.

Surveys and plans for 46.2 miles of road, in addition to present contracts, are complete and ready to invite bids.

All work is inspected regularly by Engineers from the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads.

Under the present Federal Aid Law, the Federal Government participates only in the construction of 7 per cent of the total mileage of the Public roads of any state. Three per cent of which is designated as primary roads and 4 per cent of which is designated as Secondary roads.

They require that all Primary roads have a minimum wearing surface (or pavement) of 18 feet. That secondary roads have a minimum wearing surface of 16 feet. That no bridge have less than 18 ft. road-way and will carry a 15 ton live load.

The Clearing, Grubbing, Grading and Drainage structures, constitute the permanent features of a road. In the design for the surfacing, the present and future traffic conditions are taken into consideration and the type that will meet these requirements and that is most economical is adopted.

When the survey and plans are completed, every detail of location, type of construction, etc., is then carefully gone over on the ground by an Engineer from the U. S. B. P. R. and when approved by him, Federal Aid will be recommended and the State is authorized to receive bids for construction.

Federal Aid Projects completed and under maintenance in this Division cover the following types of road:

9.17 miles of Macadam (Surface

## Wife of Ford's Cousin Held In Plot



Mrs. May B. Ford, wife of Ney J. Ford, second cousin of Henry Ford and reputed to be worth \$500,000, has been arrested in Detroit on the charge that she plotted the death of her husband, so that she might get possession of his estate. A Detroit policeman, posing as a gunman, is said to have received an offer of \$20,000 from her to kill Ford and burn his body.

## SPLIT LOG DRAGS' TO REMEDY ROADS IN MORGAN COUNTY

County Engineer M. S. Bingham

stated today that he was issuing orders to road contractors on the different road projects over the county, to put into use at the earliest possible moment, split log drags, and drag the uncompleted portion of the roads where grading had been done.

It is stated by Mr. Bingham, that when this process is kept up for a considerable length of time, it will render the road fit for travel as it makes a crown and packs it at the same time.

It is understood that the process will be instituted at once, and continued during the time it will be impossible to pursue further road work through the winter months. With the increased travel incident to the Christmas days, and the increased hauling by truck of merchandise to nearby towns by the wholesale concerns of the county, the fact that the graded portions of the roads is almost impossible to travel, renders quite a drawback to the business interests of the county. It is hoped by Mr. Bingham to remedy this serious halt to the traffic of the county during this week.

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## REPORTS CURRENT THAT BODIES OF 2 MISSING MEN ARE LOCATED IN RIVER

Commander of Company Unable To Give Reasons For Mobilization

GOVERNMENT AGENTS WERE ACTIVE IN CASE

Military Tents Today Occupy Center of Little Town, Mer Rouge

(Associated Press)

MONROE, La., Dec. 20.—Company G, La. National Guard of Monroe, which moved out of here for Morehouse Parish yesterday afternoon, was in camp at Mer Rouge at daybreak this morning and will remain there for several days, according to a message received here from Captain W. W. Cooper, the commander.

Captain Cooper said he was unprepared to give the purpose for which the soldiers were sent to Mer Rouge and had no information other than orders to go into camp at Mer Rouge.

The military company, composed of 65 men and three officers, is encamped in the center of the town, which has a population of about 1,800.

Reports were current throughout Morehouse Parish this morning that the bodies of Watt Daniels and Thomas Richards had been located either in Coper or Lafourche Lake, weighted down with a wagon wheel, said to have been taken from a farmer's vehicle by a band of masked men, who kidnapped five Mer Rouge citizens on August 24, two of whom were Daniels and Richards.

Officers of the Monroe military company professed to have no information regarding the reported finding of the bodies.

Major R. L. Dade, of Mer Rouge, said he had been informed the bodies of the men had been located, but could not verify the report.

Four detectives, said to have been employed by the department of justice at the direction of Attorney General Daugherty, have been working for months on the kidnapping. Their headquarters are in Mer Rouge. These detectives are said to have located the bodies of the missing men, but have refused to either affirm or deny the report.

## SCHOOL BIDS ARE RECEIVED IN ALBANY

A formal meeting of Albany city school authorities and a number of contractors and their representatives now here are: James Hallas, of Birmingham, representing Johns-Manville Inc.; the Alabama Supply Company; D. B. Clayton, Mill and Mine Engineer and Michaels and Company Inc., of Norfolk, Virginia.

During the parliamentary tussle, Senator Norris of Nebraska, author of the motion to lay the shipping bill aside, announced if the motion was defeated, he would move to take up the resolution supported by the progressive block, for a constitutional amendment for direct election of the presidents.

Objection was made by Senator Fletcher, of Florida, leader of the Democratic fight against the shipping bill and by Senator King, of Utah, and Williams, of Mississippi, Democrats.

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**WE FAVOR ACCEPTANCE OF HENRY FORD'S BID FOR MUSCLE SHOALS.****THE END OF THE AFTERMATH OF THE WORLD WAR IS NOT YET.**

The murder of the President of Poland is the latest reported addition to horrible political crimes that are being committed beyond the Atlantic. With shocking regularity there have been such murders in Italy, Ireland and in Germany. Leaders of various political parties have been the victims in most instances.

What good can possibly be accomplished by such terrorism. In his day Theodore Roosevelt said again and again, that murderous attempts against the supporters of a government only tended to greater sternness and less consideration on the part of officials. In a word bad actions breed other bad actions. Nothing can explain the murderous conditions in Europe, other than to say that there must be a vile insanity in the very air over there.

Thus Europe, once the most highly civilized continent in the world and long regarded as the birth place and home of culture, is producing political maniacs in such numbers as that the very life of the civilization of Europe is in grave danger. And the worst of it is, no protest of any consequence is heard against such a state of affairs. How are the mighty fallen.

The proud civilization of Europe seems to be passing before our very eyes, into oblivion. Can it be that the appeal of Clemenceau is a kind of modern Macedonian cry that we go to the aid of Europe. The Europeans certainly need help. Their strong men—those who could have stemmed the evil tide that now threatens, are not living, they fell on the battle field. The brave, the generous, the unselfish and the strong went forth to battle and are dead. Now those weak in body, in mind and in determination, are left to govern Europe as best they can—but they are not getting anywhere—they are allowing all kinds of irresponsible people to take a hand in government. The ancient quotation can ever and always be used in reference to war—"That way madness lies."

**THE WORM MAY TURN; BUT THE STILL WANTS A SMOOTH ROAD.**

Goaded on by every day and continual attacks on his friends who happen to own and operate Automobiles one writer has given expression to the following:

The car owner has been well plucked as it is. He should not be pared to the bone.

And yet periodically some excellent citizens arise and demand that the motorist be soaked again.

We hear no crying demand for placing a small tax on wagons and buggies, or horses or mules.

The automobile is in greater use today than the horse and buggy, and motor vehicles are rapidly displacing the wagon in commercial use.

If a pedestrian or a child suddenly steps in front of a moving car without warning and is injured, it is always the driver who is at fault and who pays the bill. Public sentiment never concedes that it is possible for him to be in the right.

The state highway commission is supported by the state tax on automobiles, known as the license tax, and the tax on gas and oil, and this tax also pays interest on the state bonds issued for road construction. Yet there is a suggestion that the legislature ought to give the right to counties to put a special tax on these subjects also. This appears to be a narrow view of the subject which is based upon the belief that automobiles are mostly luxuries that people should be made to pay heavily if they wish them. But automobiles are no longer luxuries, they are necessities, and the various taxes already imposed are about as heavy as they should be on anything that serves a useful purpose.

When the tax assessor comes around he lists a man's automobile as a part of his property, upon which taxes are paid.

He pays an annual license fee to the state and to the city in which he lives. It is true, however, that in some of the smaller towns no city license is required.

He pays a high price for the gas and oil which he uses, and in some states one cent a gallon of the cost of gas goes into the tax fund. This simply adds a cent to the price of gasoline.

The automobilists may have been plucked a good deal; but intelligent ones will gladly carry every bit of the taxation they can, provided they get value received for the tax money they pay into the state treasury. If the feathers plucked from him go to make a smooth road bed, the Autoist, will not object. Of necessity the people who drive cars must have the best roads possible. They must have a smooth road or else they cannot make the time—they cannot come and go quickly enough for the lightening age in which we live.

**WILLARD COPE'S HEROISM.**

That all heroes are not those of war was never better illustrated than in the case of Willard Cope, Atlanta newspaper man, who, for his conduct in an Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlantic railroad wreck, has been characterized in a report of the State Industrial Commission as "one of the outstanding heroes of Georgia history."

Mr Cope was on his way in March of this year to Talbotton to report a murder trial for his newspaper when the wreck occurred twelve miles south of Atlanta. He was in a passenger coach which plunged from a trestle into a creek. Badly crushed, his left leg broken and his shoulder fractured, he was pinned underneath the wreck when the first rescuers arrived. Hal M. Stanley, chairman of the Industrial Commission, tells the rest of the story in the following words:

He was almost completely covered with the waters of the creek, all of his body being submerged except his head, and not knowing at what time there might be a shift of the coach which would send him to a watery grave. When the rescuers finally came and it was sought to remove the injured man, he remarked: "Light a cigarette, put it in my mouth and get out the women and children." There was first a thought of others.

Suffering excruciating agony, not for one minute considering that there might be an injury which demanded prompt and immediate attention, he spoke words which will ever be stamped indelibly upon the minds of those engaged in the work of rescue. "Light a cigarette, put it in my mouth, and get out the women and children," were the utterances of a hero—and of indomitable, will unfaltering nerve and almost unprecedented courage.

In fact, we have here the most conspicuous example of bravery that has been brought to the attention of the Industrial Commission since the Georgia workmen's compensation act was enacted into law.

It is no unusual thing for newspaper workers, in the line of duty, to be confronted with situations that test the courage of man. And there has never been a newspaper man worthy of the name who failed to meet the test. But there has never been a nobler response than that of Willard Cope. When newspaper men gather, for years to come, his heroism will be recalled, while his courage and bravery, in the face of Death, will ever serve as an example for those who choose a calling where courage and bravery are essential.—Enquirer-Sun.

If work were the sole object, would there be so many other attractive things to do.

Another one has been added to the many kindly rights—the right to quit when told to do so.

One reason death from disease is getting rarer, is because so many are killed in auto wrecks.

Henry Ford shut down his works at Detroit, just long enough to show that he could do it, then he started up again.

William J. Bryan's automobile is reported to have crashed into another car. We bet William J. was running behind as usual.

Treating people with large quantities of soft soap would be all right if there were no lie in it.

The American delegation says the expulsion of the Greek Patriarch from Constantinople was "intolerable." From the do-nothing policy we have adopted we evidently intend to tolerate it all right.

There is liquor, liquor every where, and not a drop fit to drink.

then spent the money. Since then I've been trying to recover it, but haven't succeeded."

"But," said Brown, "any other \$50 bill would do as well."

"No," responded Jobson, shaking his head. "I'm a man of my word, I said I'd return that bill to you, Brown old friend, and I meant it. Just as soon as I come across No. 672945 series F, of 1910, I'll see that you get it, for I'm not the man to go back on my promise, no sir."

**CAN MAKE IT TALK CENTS.**

Dix—"They say that money talks; can you make it?"

Bix—"Sure. I can make every penny count."

Keep away from Chicago. The gland robbers are at work.

**DECEIVING.**

"Don't trust to appearances," said Uncle Eben. "De toughest chicken may wear de finest feathers."

Mandy (dining out)—"Any freight trains been stalled around clost hyar lately, Susie?"

Susan (shaking her head)—Not dat ah knows ab, Mandy Why?"

Mandy—"Oh, nothin'; only dis ar chicken tastes to me just like cold storage fowl."

You will remember that there was no talk about Ford needing money until he began to run a newspaper.

**EVERY DROP NEEDED.**

Spilled milk of human kindness is the only kind worth crying over.

**OTHERWISE, SHE'S ALL RIGHT.**

Simpson had been invited to the wedding of his friend, Tom. Arriving at the home, Simpson was formally introduced to the bride—whom he had never met. After the ceremony, Simpson drew his friend aside.

"Tom," he whispered, "What in the world is the matter with you? Why, that woman's twice as old as you! Her hair and teeth are false, and she's as ugly as a toad!"

"You needn't whisper, Simpson, she is also deaf."

Gloom and pessimism are a combination in restraint of trade.

"The kiss of a pretty girl is always highly regarded highly among men, but as a rule after a man passes 50 he would rather have a mess of turnip greens."

People soon grew tired of cussing Hollywood. There was too much general condemnation and not enough horrible details.

Give her a Sellers Kitchen Cabinet for Xmas. Schimmel & Hunter.

adv.

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**OFFICE CAT.**

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**BELIEVE ME!**

It is hard to forgive undue pride on the part of another, but that of the new flivver owner, who succeeds in guiding his car into the garage for the first time, without leaving any wheels or fenders hanging on the door, is, generally speaking, pardonable.

Headaches may be acquired by overeating, but not often by overthinking.

**OH, SHUT UP!**

"Poor Agnes slipped off her veranda last night."

Well, well! Did it fit her?"

**FATAL FRINGE.**

H. G. Wells, congratulated on his magnificent head of hair, said at a luncheon in New York:

"It is embarrassing to be bald, especially when you go to the hairdresser's to get your hair cut. Perhaps you've heard of the very, very bald man who took his seat difficultly in the barber's chair.

"Shave, sir," said the barber.

"Who-er-haircut."

"The barber with a loud laugh patted the bald man's nude scalp with both his hands.

"You don't want a haircut, sir, what you want is a shave."

Grass widows of Denver object to being called that in the directory. Nothing green about a grass widow.

**DRAWING THE LINE.**

"Mrs. Arris, I say nothin' about your Alf copying my Percy's suns at school, but what gets me is your boy hittin' 'em when the answer ain't right."

Doctor—"You cough more easily this morning."

Patient—"Yes, I've been practicing all night."

**A DISTINCT ADVANTAGE.**

"Isn't it perfectly wonderful that we can sit here in our own home and listen to a lecture or a sermon hundreds of miles away?"

"Yes, and the best part of it is that we can shut it off whenever we please."

**TROUBLE AHEAD.****WANTED—A REAL ROUGH GUY.**

"I want a cow-hand who knows cows, not under 35 years old not over 50. One who smokes, drinks, swears, tells the truth and hates sheep herders. W. H. H.—the Three B. Ranch, Largo, Canyon, P. O. Aztec, N. M."—Er.—Classified Ad in the Ajo (Arizona) Copper News.

**NOTHING LEFT.**

A girl had gone to a dinner in New York with her steady. The young man noticed a speck of what appeared to be lint on her shoulder. When she wasn't looking he attempted to knock it off with his fingers. After several attempts he took hold of the fleecy stuff and when he seemed to have all of it threw the wad under the table. That night the girl told her mother that she had a perfectly lovely time. "But," she added, "I have been lying here in bed, mother, wondering what has become of my union suit."

"Dear, can you remember to bring some rat biscuits home this evening?"

"Rat biscuits? That's the limit! No! If the rats can't eat what we have in the house, let them leave."

If we didn't have a fire occasionally how would we know whether the hydrants were out of order?

Our education factories recently resumed operations with a new supply of rah-rah materials.

**A MAN OF HIS WORD.**

"Sorry to mention it, old man," said Brown, "but it's six months since you borrowed that \$50 of me and you promised faithfully to return it in six weeks."

"I know it," returned Jobson, taking a memorandum from his pocket. "That bill was series F, No. 672945, issue of 1910. I made a note of it."

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**Bath Robes**

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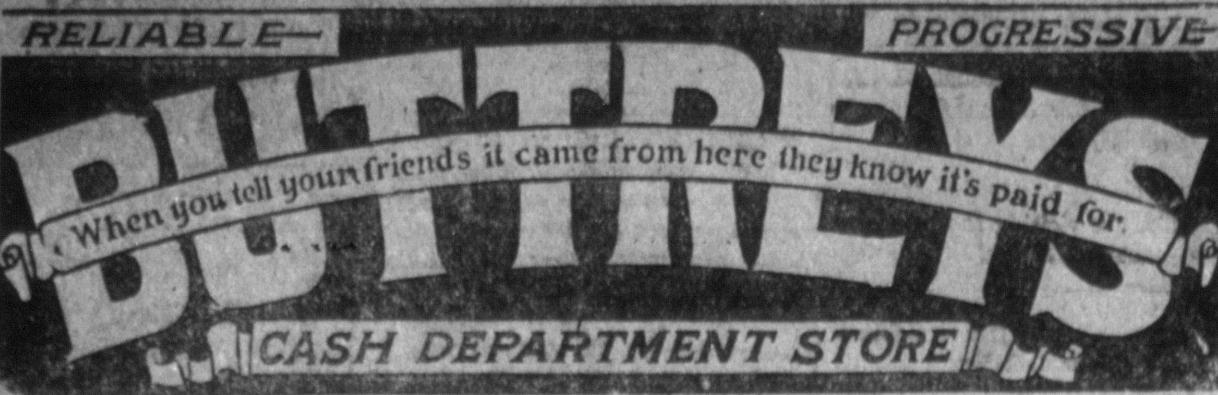
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Values like these would be unusual even at the end of the season, but coming as they do at this opportune time, they present economies which no thrifty woman will overlook.

# DRESSES

## That Are Irrisistible

Fashion's Beauty is Supreme in these New Dresses for the Holidays. Frocks for every age from sprightly to stately. NEW, very! SMART, very! STUNNING, THE LAST WORD. All very moderately priced.

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Black Moire and Satin  
**\$2.48-\$2.98**

All so attractive with the bright cretonne Trimmings and piping of orange, rose, green, electric blue and Chic Sashes. A practical charming gift.

**SURPRISE HER WITH THAT LOVELY COAT OR  
DRESS—WONDERFUL SELECTION AWAITS YOU**

# Luxurious Furs

That every woman loves at attractive holiday prices. Fox, Stone Marten, Squirrel, Chokers, Large furs, Mink, Silver Fox and Mole.

### GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Crepe de Chine Gowns	<b>\$5.00</b>
Crepe de Chine Teds	<b>\$2.39</b>
Radium Teds	<b>\$2.49</b>
Radium Teds	<b>\$5.00</b>
Beautiful Radium Petticoats	<b>\$3.95</b>
Beautiful Jersey Petticoats	<b>\$5.98</b>
Beautiful Radium Petticoats	<b>\$6.95 and \$8.98</b>
Men's Bath Robes, assorted Colors	<b>\$10.95 and \$10.00</b>

### GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Corduroy Bath Robes	<b>\$4.85 and \$5.95</b>
Satin Breakfast Coats ruffled trimmed	<b>\$10.98</b>
Brocaded Corduroy Robes full Cheney silk lined and faced with satin to match	<b>\$17.50</b>
That dainty negligee she has longed for, lovely quality Radium, Georgette and ribbon trimmed	<b>\$17.50</b>

# SOCIETY NEWS

Margaret C. Shelton—Phone Decatur 352.

### SOCIAL CALENDAR

Wednesday

Dinner for Miss Miller and Mr. Stutz—Mrs. F. F. Tidwell, Party for Miss Talev, of Anniston—Mr. Sanders Cortner at Rentroc, League of Women Voters—3 p. m.—Carnegie Library.

Triple Four—Miss Thelma Morrow.

Friday

Canal Street Rock Club—Mrs. W. J. Edwards.

### BRIDGE COMPLIMENT TO MISS MILLER.

A pretty bridge party at which Mrs. A. A. Hardage was hostess was given last evening in honor of Miss Marjorie Miller, bride elect of December. The Christmas colors, red and green, were noticeable in the decorations, refreshments and favors, the latter being dainty nut holders. Bridge was the diversion of the evening and the tally cards were picture bride and grooms.

Wrenshall Knight and Miss Alice Hatton made high scores and were recipients of souvenirs and Mrs. Hardage presented the honor guest a beautiful piece of linen. Delightful refreshments were served to the guests who were Misses Marjorie Miller, Alice Hatton, Mary Penick, Amanda Pride, Roline and Inez Teasley, Messrs Fred Stutz, Ashbury Malone, Edwin Shackelford, Wrenshall Knight, Staley Wayatt and Robert Jervis.

### WOMANS MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

At the Methodist Church in Decatur, the Women's Missionary Society celebrated the annual Harvest Day. The Sunday School room was appropriately decorated, suggesting the Harvest and Christmas seasons. Mrs. Handel and Mrs. Hewlett were the committee for this feature of the occasion.

Miss Mamie Bethard conducted the devotional, reading a lesson from the third chapter of Malachi and adding some helpful words of her own. Mrs. W. A. Brown, the retiring president, spoke inspiring, expressing her gratitude for the cooperation of the members and encouragement for the work of another year. The committee for refreshments, Mrs. J. C. Waite, Mrs. R. E. Hulett and Mrs. S. H. Malone, served a dainty salad course. Misses Mary Chapel Rogers and Pluma King assisting them. No meeting of the society will be held until after the eighth of January, when the new officers will be installed. Mrs. W. H. Ritter is the president of the society for next year.

### PARTY FOR MISS TALEY.

Miss Carol Dean Talev will be honor guest at a party tonight at Rentroc given by Mr. Sanders Cortner.

### DINING FOR BRIDE AND GROOM ELECT.

Mrs. W. R. Smith will entertain at a dining at their home on Thursday, in honor of Miss Marjory Miller and Mr. Fred Stutz, whose wedding will take place next week.

### DINNER TONIGHT.

Miss Marjory Miller and Mr. Fred Stutz will be honor guests at a dinner party tonight to be given by Mrs. F. F. Tidwell at her home on Jackson Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keith Lide, Jr., and little son, Charles Keith III, of Evansville, Ind., will spend Xmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Lide.

The Duplicate Bridge Luncheon Club meeting has been postponed until after the second Tuesday in January with Mrs. Frank Lide as hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Garren and daughter, Susan Beech, expect to leave on Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. Q. Beech, in Scottsboro.

Mrs. Frank Lide and little daughters, Rebecca, and Harriett, left this morning for a short visit in Cullman.

Miss Carol Dean Talev, of Anniston, who has been in the Conservatory of Music in Louisville, Ky., is the guest this week of Misses Helen and Lady Bluetta Wallace en route home.

Save \$15.00 on your Hoosier Kitchen cabinet at this store. Easy payments. Cook Bros. Furniture Co.

Mrs. L. C. Hill, of Birmingham, is home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stamps.

### PERSONALS

Midshipman Malcolm Adams will arrive here Sunday morning from the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Adams.

William E. Baldwin, of Flint, was in the city today.

Quite a large company will journey to Birmingham this afternoon for the Masonic ceremonies to open at 8 o'clock tonight in that city at the Ben-Hur Hall. Among those expected to make the trip are: W. W. Rahm, C. W. Matthews, S. M. Thompson, Dr. J. L. Gunter, T. A. Bowles, Sid Dublin and Stanley Wyatt.

According to reports from his bedside, Dr. L. F. Goodwin's condition has shown little improvement in some hours. He is reported to have rested fairly well last night except for a slight delirium in the early morning hours.

W. W. Callahan is ill at his home on Ferry Street.

Leroy Brown, Jr., who is attending Emory University, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brown.

W. J. Walling, of Lacy Springs, is in the city today. Mr. Walling is one of the largest tax payers in the county, and is also a large tax payer of Madison county. He is a good roads enthusiast and is ready at any time to fall in with those who are striving for better highways.

TRANPOSITION.  
In the Piggly Wiggly advertisement appearing in the Daily Tuesday, which read: "15 oz. package Chester Raisins 32¢", should have read: "15 oz. package Cluster Raisins, 23¢."

### Masonic Theater— Today

A Jess Robbin's Comedy

### "THE LADDER JINX"

A Laugh Producer.  
Also Charles Murray in "Faint Hearts". You'll be lucky if you see this program.

ADMISSION 10c, 20c, 30c

### Masonic Theater THURSDAY AND FRIDAY DECEMBER 21st and 22nd.

### "MY WILD IRISH ROSE"

Adopted from the famous stage play "THE SHAUGHRAUN", a story of Ireland and a "Ne'er do well".

Special: Harold Lloyd in "MOVE ON"



Continuous show 2 to 11.

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# Great Sacrifice Sale

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# DRESSES

We have just received a lot of Poiret Twill and black lace dresses. This was a delayed shipment and should have been in many days ago, so rather than return to the manufacturer we've decided to give all our customers a Christmas present of a DRESS AT COST, for

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Give her a Sellers Kitchen Cabinet  
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The Certainty of Good.  
And all as we've got to do is to  
trusten, Master Merner—to do the  
right thing as far as we know and to  
trusten. If us, as knows so little  
can see a bit o' good and rights, we  
may be sure as there's a good and a  
right bigger nor what we know—  
feel it I'm own inside as it must be  
so.—Dolty Winthrop in George Eliot's  
"Silas Merner."

## Civic Organization Becomes a Reality

(Continued from page 1.)

yer, that unless some means, other than by-law 8, was sought to make individuals immune from the corporate debts of the organization, all the members under the law, would be held as partners, and be legally bound for all debts.

He declared also that some provision ought to be made whereby the chamber could be made a corporation with the right to buy and sell property, as provided for in the statutes of 1919. After Judge Skeggs, at the request of Mr. Dix, a motion was then put in due form, to the effect that the by-laws and constitution be adopted, as amended by Judge Skeggs. This motion passed without a dissenting voice.

### With Laws Made Move for Members.

The officers having already been agreed upon last week, and the laws to govern the Albany-Chamber of Commerce adopted by a company which by common consent were regarded as "charter members" President Clopton proclaimed that the Albany-Decatur Chamber of Commerce was perfectly organized and ready for the reception of applications for membership in addition to the recognized charter members.

On motion the members of the board of directors were charged with the responsibility of appointing Committees, whose duty it should be to go out and secure applications for membership.

It has been agreed in the by-laws, that single memberships shall be \$12.50 per annum, payable annually or semi-annually in advance.

### Speeches on the Good of the Order.

With the business over, except the presentation of the plans and specifications for the proposed new chamber of commerce building, President Clopton, spoke briefly, and said in his judgment, promoters of industries who wished to come to communities that would be loyal to them, that would use their products and buy their goods. He said that such an inducement seemed to him a great one, and ranked with a willingness of a community to furnish other well known inducements. He said that if a business and a merchant were not handling what the people wanted they should be given an opportunity to get them in stock before home-traders went into other towns to buy, or sent their orders off in the mail.

J. J. Burk, said he was busy about his new building to be on Moulton street and First Avenue, and added

## PRINCESS THEATER THURSDAY AND FRIDAY



**Norma Talmadge & Harrison Ford  
in "Love's Redemption"**

## Wholesale Houses' Business Rushing

Wholesale grocery and produce houses in the Twin Cities report one of the greatest Christmas rushes since the boom days. In one instance at least, road salesmen have been called in, it being impossible to get the shipments out, so rapidly are they accumulating. The greatest rush is noticed in fruits and produce, but other merchandise is moving rapidly also. It is the general report among wholesalers that the general trend of business has been better for past 60 days than formerly, and that collections have been correspondingly good, with a disposition among the retail stores over the territory traveled by their representatives, to stock up and meet the demand.

The sentiments of Mr. Calvin were received with enthusiasm. Some directions were made for mailing out the "Albany-Decatur" prospectus books—the ones made at the time of the Muscle Shoals Exposition here last spring.

Anderson Dickie, the well known architect of Nashville and Huntsville was present and was introduced. Following adjournment, Mr. Dickie displayed his plans and much interest was manifested in them. Mr. Dickie was the architect for the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce, and of a number of other modern public buildings in Southern cities. The building blue prints and a drawing of which he showed indicated a structure about 35 by 65 feet, that could be built at a cost of any where from \$25,000 to \$40,000. Including the ground floor story there would be three stories. On the second floor would be a lobby and a large number of connecting offices. The top floor would be devoted largely to an auditorium, with connecting club rooms.

## WOMANLY TROUBLES

Twas Hard for Her to Stop Work,  
But This Texas Lady Says She  
Had to Go to Bed.—  
Helped by Cardui.

Salado, Texas.—"I suffered a great deal with womanly troubles," says Miss Ira Lillian Hart, of Route 1, this place. "I would, for a day or two, feel drowsy, stupid and lifeless; didn't feel like doing my work."

"I would suffer pains in my sides and back, and very severe headaches."

"I am the housekeeper, and it was very hard for me to stop, but I would get in such a misery I would have to go to bed. I heard of Cardui, and that it was good for this suffering. The very first bottle I took seemed to help me. I did not suffer near so much, so I sent for the second. It did so much good for me. I can't say enough for Cardui, for it certainly was a friend in need."

Women who feel the need of something to help relieve, or prevent, such troubles, should profit by the experience of thousands of other women, and try this mild, harmless tonic.

Sold everywhere. NC-14.

For Xmas give her a Vacuum Cleaner. Schimmel & Hunter. adv.

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—Plumbing—  
Steam and Hot Water Heating  
Estimates Furnished  
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LIDE'S  
Instant Service

## Fatty Arbuckle Gets New Chance

(Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Will H. Hays said today that Roscoe C. Arbuckle had been given a chance to "come back". Joseph Schenck, producer, said: "Roscoe will go to work for me. I am glad to help give him his chance."

Arbuckle said: "I am very grateful and I will prove myself worthy." A statement of the case was given out from the office of Mr. Hays.

Thought for the Day.  
A big head doesn't necessarily imply a broad mind.

## Sure Relief FOR INDIGESTION

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HOT water  
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25¢ and 75¢ Packages Everywhere

Easy payments will be cheerfully arranged on your Christmas purchases. Give Furniture, the lasting gift. Cook Bros. Furniture Co.

## Princess Theater

(THE HOME OF QUALITY AND SERVICE)

--TODAY--

DOROTHY DALTON



"The Siren Call"

Supported by David Powell and Mitchell Lewis.

A Big Human Picture with a tender love story and thrill swept action in every word of it. Better than the fame of the Yukon.

Admission 10c, 20c, 25c, and 30c.

Dorothy Dalton  
in the Paramount Picture  
"The Siren Call"

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Thursday and Friday, Dec. 21-22nd

Admission 10c, 20c, 25c, 30c.

"LOVE'S REDEMPTION"

will please large Norma Talmadge following. Released by First National

REVIEWED BY FRITZ TIDDEN

As a matter of fact, Norma Talmadge will satisfy the Tremendous following in "Love's Redemption."

Miss Talmadge's performance in this picture enforces again the multiple reason just why she commands one of the largest audience enjoyed by the most prominent Stars.

Added Attraction

"LONG SHOT"

Plum Center Comedy, with Dan Mason of Toonerville Trolley fame.

## PRINCESS

THEATER  
ONE NIGHT  
WED.

Dec. 27

The fun show of the world and all new this time. 30 people and all our own music. 21 numbers.

GEORGE MCNAMEE'S CARTOON MUSICAL COMEDY  
**BRINGING UP FATHER**  
ON HIS VACATION



If you can't laugh at this show see a doctor. Prices 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and a few at \$1.50 on sale Monday, December 25. Get them early as this Company sells out everywhere at these low prices.

**Pruit-Dillehay Drug Co.**  
SECOND AVE. ALBANY, A.L.A.



TO FILE SUIT.  
(Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The department of justice is preparing to file suit against the Wright-Martin air craft corporation for recovery of a war claim amounting to \$3,601,715, the house judiciary committee was told today by Assistant Attorney General Seymour at the hearing on impeachment charges against Attorney General Daugherty.

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OUR SERVICE CARS CAN GO AS FAR AS YOU CAN

**FRANK P. LIDE**

### COUNTY'S OFFICES TO CLOSE CHRISTMAS

All the offices at the courthouse with the possible exception of the Sheriff's office, will be closed Christmas day. This idea was gained to-day when the question was asked the various officials. Practically all of them will remain at home and take Christmas dinner with their families, and rub up their New Year resolutions and have them ready for January 1, as suggested by one of them to-day. Sheriff May stated that it would perhaps be his busiest day, and the office would be kept open practically all that day.

Tax Collector J. H. Hill stated that he and his force had given the tax payers every opportunity to pay the taxes of the year, and besides making the round over the county, the tax office had been kept open every day, and it was possible to pay at the courthouse any day in the week. He does not anticipate a great rush the closing days of the year as it was last season, because of this fact. Last year during the last few remaining days, it was a physical impossibility to wait upon the large crowds who came at that time to pay, and many rather than wait returned to their homes and awaited another opportunity.

The same rule of open office since the new tax year started on October 1, has been maintained by Tax Assessor Herman O. Troup, in addition to making the round over the county, a competent deputy assessor has been on duty there all the time. Report is now required of the collector semi-monthly by the state auditor, and the addition of 32 districts who have voted the three mill tax, adds quite a lot of extra work on the office, as the funds must be apportioned.

### New Building On West Moulton St.

A new planing mill and feed grist mill is in course of erection on West Moulton street, just beyond the Roundtree Lumber Company.

The new concern is the property of Lawrence B. Norton, who lives near 8th Avenue on Moulton Street, West.

#### ATHENS COLLEGE NOTES.

ATHENS, Ala., Dec. 20.—President and Mrs. B. B. Glasgow are attending the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools which is being held in New Orleans this week.

Miss Scurlock, the Y. W. C. A. Student Secretary for the Southern Division, was the guest of the local association several days this week. In her addresses at chapel and Vesper services she brought a message of inspiration to the Student Body.

On Thursday evening, the Juniors entertained the Freshmen at a wine roast. Although the inclement weather confined the picnickers to the campus, it did not dampen their pep or the enjoyment of the delicious and tempting spread.

### Champ Lemon Is Given Local Man

Altee H. Hoff, assistant cashier of the Morgan County National bank, was handed a lemon yesterday of a size he had never dreamed of before. The lemon, which weighed more than three pounds, was grown in Florida and sent to Mr. Hoff by L. W. Burton who is spending the winter there.

#### LOST DOG.

Lost or Strayed—Large Black and White Pointer Bird Dog, 7 years old, with my name on collar, any information will be appreciated. Phone or write Rufus Peerson, Decatur Drug Co., Decatur, Ala. Dec. 19-3t

Mahogany candle sticks, Mahogany serving trays, Fancy work baskets. Cook Bros. Furniture Co.

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SCENE FROM "MY WILD IRISH ROSE"

It's not too difficult to guess what these two fetching Irish Colleens are talking about over the gate. The subject of their conversation is one which has always been of interest to young girls—sweethearts. And all those who like romance will find it aplenty in the new Vitagraph special, "My Wild Irish Rose."

### Hartselle News

Pythagoras Lodge Knights of Pythias held their annual election this week, with the following officers elected for the ensuing year.

Charles Quinn, C. C.

W. V. Pattillo, V. C.

J. E. Peck, Prelate.

W. M. Furry, K. R. S.

Philip Orr, M. W.

S. M. Nelson, M. F.

D. W. McNeill, M. E.

Hogat Grover, M. A.

Arthur Howell, L. G.

Philip McGovern, O. G.

The lodge has had a most prosperous year, and has added a large number of members to the lodge roll. Thursday night work will be done in the rank of knight; when four new members will be initiated and admitted. The lodge has a degree team who are well prepared to put the work in the amplified form, and have splendid quarters in fraternal building.

The memorial arch is at last lighted up, and the welcome sign is plainly visible at a long distance. It presents a pretty sight, and represents the thoughtfulness of a number of young women of the town, members of the Delta Zeta Club.

A Christmas pounding was given Rev. D. W. Ward, the superannuated preacher who has occupied the home for superannuates here for several years. A few of the members of the church which he at one time was pastor of, decided to give him a pounding so accordingly a car was brought into use, and a round of the business houses was made, resulting in a fine

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT.  
THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
MORGAN COUNTY, PROBATE COURT.

In the Matter of the Estate of Frank Gustis, Deceased. To Whom it may concern.

You are hereby notified that J. V. May, Sheriff, as the Administrator of Frank Gustis, deceased, did on the 18 day of December, 1922, file in this Court his account and vouchers for a final settlement of his administration of said estate, and that the 15 day of January, 1923, is the day and time fixed by the Court for the hearing thereon, at which time you may appear and contest the same, if you think proper so to do.

Given under my hand, this the 18 day of December 1922.

L. P. Troup, Judge of Probate

Dec 20-27-Jan. 3

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Dec 20-27-Jan. 3

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### FIRE LOSS SUFFERED BY BELLE MINA MAN

Reports a disastrous fire at Bell Mina, were confirmed here late yesterday, when it was stated that about 230 bales of cotton, the property of John R. Witt, Vice President of the Alabama Cotton Growers Association, had been totally destroyed. Reports were that Mr. Witt, had dropped all his cotton insurance. It is said that persons in search of henslighted matches, and the belief prevails that the destructive blaze resulted from the slight match light.

Supply of groceries and other seasonal goods to bring good cheer to the veteran pastor. Rev. D. W. Ward is one of the pioneer preachers of the North Alabama Conference, and helped to chart the ways and lay the foundation of the church in this state.

R. E. Blair, of Huntsville, brother of S. A. Blair, who has conducted the Blair Cash Store here for a number of years, has formed a partnership with his brother and will make Tartselle his future home. He has arrived with his family, and they are at present with Mrs. Lillie Britnell. Prior to this time Mr. Blair was a travelling salesman.

Sherrill Mitchell, a second year student at the State University, will arrive home tonight to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mitchell.

Vaughn Booth, of the Morgan School, of Petersburg, Tenn., is home for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Lillie Britnell will spend the holidays with relatives at Birmingham.

For Xmas give her a Vacuum Cleaner. Schimmel & Hunter adv.

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#### COTTON MARKET.

(Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Cotton futures opened firm December 26: 19; January 25: 99; March 26: 20; May 26: 35; July 26: 20.

(Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Cotton ginned prior to December 13 amounted to 9,493,296 running bales, the census bureau announced today.

To December 13 last year's ginnings were 7,790,656 running bales. This year to December 13, in Alabama, totalled 811,759.

**GARDEN**  
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**Watkins**

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### The HOOVER

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Albany-Decatur and Hartselle Operation

### COAL AND COKE For Christmas

Montevallo Straven Lump, per ton	\$9.75
Empire Lump, per ton	\$9.50
Cahaba No. 2 Lump, per ton	\$9.25
Kentucky Lump, per ton	\$8.25
Cahaba Steam or R. M., per ton	\$7.50
Egg or Nut Coke, per ton	\$10.00

We have in our yard from 350 to 400 tons of this high grade Coal and Coke. With good equipment ready to make prompt DELIVERIES on short NOTICE.

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FEED STORE  
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**TURNER**  
COAL & GRAIN  
COMPANY

PHONE  
DECATUR 217  
COAL YARD 4th  
AVE. AND  
DAVIS STREET